

THEY SAW A MAN SLOWLY BURN.

Old Mr. Haganbrage Was on a Lighter Moored Near Blazing Erie Sheds.

Forty Feet Away a Crowd Looked On While the Shrieking Man's Flesh Blistered.

SAVED NEARLY DEAD BY A SAILOR.

Seven Hundred Feet of Covered Dock and Three Freight Barges Destroyed—Firemen Confused by the Fog—Loss \$40,000, Insured.

A fire that consumed 700 feet of covered dock and three freight lighters started from some unknown cause in the yards of the Erie Railroad, Jersey City, early yesterday morning. But for the lucky circumstance of an absence of wind the big passenger depot and Wells-Fargo's property would also have been destroyed. It was about 5 o'clock when Patrolman Connell saw the flames and smoke issuing from the sheds on Pier 5.

When the firemen got there the whole extent of the structure was afire and burning fiercely. A heavy fog lay thickly over river and shore, and the conflagration was invisible to craft in midstream. On the shore it was impossible to see objects ten feet away. This was most confusing to the firemen and the crews of the tugs that came to their assistance.



Moored along both sides of the burning dock were a dozen lighters that had been discharging their loads of grain and fruit under the sheds. Among those on the south side were two of the Erie's tugs that got very quickly to work towing out the other craft to positions of safety. They managed to get them all well out and anchored up the river before the flames had even scorched their paint. But on the north side of the pier were several heavy floats, lying close together between it and the dock, whereon is built the passenger depot. In spite of the utmost efforts it was impossible to get through these to reach the three big lighters, Amherst, Greyhound and Mulligan, that were being licked by the flames' tongues. The two first named happened to have no one aboard, but in the deckhouse of the last was Peter Haganbrage, Jr., the captain, and his father, both asleep. They were awakened by the clanging of the fire engines' bells and the whistling of the tugs. The young man got out first and plunged into the water. He is a good swimmer and reached the pier below in safety. The old man was much confused by the glare of the flames and the volume of thick smoke. The fog, besides obscuring the vision of the firemen, kept the smoke from ascending, and so added to the difficulties. Haganbrage stood on the deck of the barge, which by this time was all ablaze on the side near the dock, and shouted for help. He could not have swam far and was afraid to jump overboard. He was crying for help to the crowd on the dock, not more than forty feet away.

A sailor on the schooner Empress, that lay moored to the opposite pier, out of reach of the flames, lowered a boat and rowed over through the blinding smoke and intense heat to the fast consuming barge. The old man had dropped over into the water, grasping the end of a rope, and was almost unconscious when the rescuer got hold of him. The heat was so great that there was no stopping to raise him on board. He was towed over to the dock, holding on to the rowboat's stern, and lifted on to the dock by Fireman Archer Lockridge and a bystander. Haganbrage's legs and the lower portion of his body were frightfully burned. They took him to St. Francis's Hospital, where the physicians who examined him had but faint hopes of his recovery. Young Haganbrage was lost sight of in the crowd when he pulled himself out of the water, and a report was made to the police that he had been drowned.

The fire continued to gain headway in the sheds, in spite of the eight fire engines and the sixteen tugs that were pouring water into it from all sides. Nothing but the sheds and the barges were burned. The loss is estimated at \$40,000, insured. The pier will be rebuilt at once.

Besides the Erie's own boats, the Pennsylvania tugs Harbinger, Linden, Palmyra, America, Pittsburgh and Juniata answered the alarm and did all that was possible for them to do. The Zephyr Mill, of New York, steamed across and gave good help. Erie officials were much pleased with the work of the firemen, boatmen and police.

BURGULARS TRIED DRUGS.

Bayonne Women Awakened to Find the Rooms Reeking with the Fumes of Chloroform.

Bayonne, N. J., March 30.—Early yesterday morning Mrs. Louis Peter, of No. 41 West Fifty-third street, was awakened by a stifling sensation and she found the house full of the fumes of chloroform.

She awakened the other members of the family, over whom a deadly stupor was beginning to steal. Then the brave little woman went downstairs. Her footsteps frightened the burglars, who made away, taking with them two pocketbooks containing \$3.50.

A robbery was committed a few days ago in the house of William H. Thomas, No. 72 West Fifty-second street. The thieves got only \$25, being frightened off. Attempts were also made to rob the residence of William Holmes, an editor of the New York Times, and a house at No. 25 West Fifty-second street. Both attempts occurred within a week.

FROWNED ON THE SHOW.

Hackensack Pastor Reproved Certain Members of His Congregation for Getting Up a Vaudeville Entertainment.

Hackensack, N. J., March 30.—For the past three weeks the Entertainment Committee of the Oranial Field Club, Hackensack, one of the smartest organizations of Bergen County, has been making extensive arrangements for a high class vaudeville show, to be given in Oranial Hall to-morrow evening. Among the artists engaged are Yonah and Wistana, Japanese jugglers, and Myrtle Arlington, the "An-desicle dancer."

The Rev. Dr. W. W. Holley, rector of Christ Episcopal Church, is a leading member of the Field Club, a large number of men in his congregation are also members. Yesterday morning he surprised his congregation by making reference to the proposed entertainment.

He said he was very much surprised and felt deeply grieved to think that such an

entertainment should be given during Holy week, and he urged his listeners not to attend such frivolities.

HURT DRIVING IN JERSEY.

Accidents to Man, Beast and Vehicle More or Less Serious.

Franklin, N. J., March 30.—Charles Allen, of Passaic, was badly injured in this place yesterday by being thrown from his carriage on the River road. One of the hind wheels ran into a deep excavation, causing the carriage to upset. Allen was thrown out against an embankment and received an ugly cut about the head, and was considerably bruised.

The horse ran away, breaking the carriage, and was not captured until it had reached Delawanna, three miles north. Allen was conveyed to his home by friends.

On Franklin avenue, near Roseland, four young men were driving at a rapid pace behind a team of bay horses yesterday. The animals became unmanageable, and there was a collision with a tree.

The occupants of the conveyance were thrown out, and John Saunders, of Bloomfield, had his leg broken and shoulder dislocated. The horses were brought to a standstill near Nutley, but the carriage was wrecked.

JOY AMONG RUBBER WORKERS.

New Brunswick and Milltown Factories to Resume Operations.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 30.—There is joy among the rubber workers in this city and vicinity over the announcement that work will be resumed in the United States Rubber Works on Wednesday, after a shutdown of several weeks. The rubber trade has been unusually dull this winter, and there has been great hardship among the hundreds of men and women who have been deprived of employment.

The rubber works at Milltown will also be opened within ten days. The rubber works are under the control of the United States Rubber Company, otherwise known as the Rubber Trust, and ever since the Trust absorbed the local factories work has been irregular.

Rev. Dr. Glazebrook to Resign.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 30.—Yesterday Bishop Scarborough received sixty young converts into St. John's Episcopal Church and after the ceremony he said that the

Rev. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook, the popular rector of the church, was about to resign. The announcement created much consternation, as a new \$25,000 rectory had just been completed for the rector. Dr. Glazebrook said this morning that he had been called to the presidency of an Eastern college, but had decided to-day not to accept it. He will remain in Elizabeth.

Spirited Montclair Primaries.

Montclair, N. J., March 30.—The Democrats of this town will hold their ward primaries to-morrow night and the occasion promises to be decidedly interesting. The party leaders have taken the matter into their hands and propose to see that unusually strong candidates are put up on account of prospective trolley complications.

LUCK STAYS A TRIGGER.

Staten Island Woman Tries Vainly to Shoot Two Friends Whom She Takes for Foes.

The Men Were Helping Her Husband, Who Had Been Knocked Senseless a Moment Before.

MISTAKEN FOR THE ASSAILANTS.

One of the Men Wrecks a Revolver from the Woman's Grasp, but Seeing She Has Another He Bests a Retreat.

Stapleton, S. I., March 30.—The police are investigating what now appears to have been a mysterious and brutal assault upon Oscar Kuntz, a retired New York business man, who resides on Vanderbilt avenue, where he has a handsome place. Mr. Kuntz did not report the assault to the police until this morning. A remarkable feature of the episode is that Mr. Kuntz's wife, mistaking two friendly neighbors for the assailants, tried to shoot them, but the revolver would not go off.

Mr. Kuntz says that he went into the courtyard at the rear of his house about 10 o'clock last night when he was suddenly attacked from behind and was felled and rendered insensible by blows rained upon his head and shoulders with a club or piece of lead pipe.

He must have lain unconscious for fifteen or twenty minutes, as Mrs. Kuntz waited for him to return until she became alarmed and ran out to see what detained him. She called, but received no answer, and after searching for a few min-

utes discovered him lying upon the ground. Thoroughly frightened, Mrs. Kuntz screamed, and with cries of "Murder!" "Help!" she dashed back into the house, caught up her husband's two revolvers and then ran out again.

She had seen no one about when she discovered Mr. Kuntz, but when she ran out flourishing the revolvers she saw two men bending over her husband's prostrate form. She ran toward them, calling for help and attempting to shoot, but was unable to fire either of the weapons. One of the men sprang toward her, caught one of the revolvers from her hand and then followed his companion, who had beaten a hasty retreat.

There are no near neighbors, and Mr. and Mrs. Kuntz were alone. She succeeded in reviving him and assisting him into the house, where they remained until morning, afraid to summon aid. Fortunately Mr. Kuntz proved not to have been severely injured.

The police have learned that the two men whom Mrs. Kuntz found when she appeared with the revolvers were John Howard and August Kemp, young men who reside in the neighborhood and were on their way home when they heard the cries of Mrs. Kuntz for help and came into the yard to see what the trouble was. They had just discovered Mr. Kuntz's prostrate form when Mrs. Kuntz appeared in the open doorway, flourishing the revolvers. Kemp immediately fled, but Howard says that he was afraid the woman might shoot, so he took one revolver from her, only to discover that she had the second.

Mr. Kuntz exhibits bruises on his head and shoulders, but no clew has been obtained by his assailants.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN BLISH.

He Was President of the Middlesex County Board of Agriculture.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 30.—Captain Samuel Blish, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Middlesex County, died at his country home yesterday afternoon. He was a great student of agriculture, and he carried out his ideas of farming to a high state of perfection. He was for a great many years president of the Middlesex County Board of Agriculture. He travelled extensively and once followed the route of Harrison's Administration.

During Harrison's Administration his name was mentioned in connection with a Consulate in China. Captain Blish was particularly noted as a wide-awake citizen and unrelenting foe of political rings and combinations. He strived hard for the perfection of the country government, and when he was a member of the Board of Freeholders he made a model official. The

HELD UP BY A DOG.

Detective Dan Murphy, of Elizabeth, N. J., Had to Take Refuge on Top of a Fence.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 30.—Detective Dan Murphy, of the Central Railroad, is to-day nursing a bad cold. He caught it sitting on a twelve-foot fence for three hours in the rain yesterday morning.

He had occasion to enter the grounds of the New Jersey Jockey Club, when he was suddenly attacked by two ferocious bulldogs belonging to Keeper McCready, of the club. They chased him to the fence and were at his heels while he was vainly trying to scale the obstacle. Finally he hooked his umbrella to the top of it and went up the umbrella hand over hand, just as one of the dogs bounded up after him.

He was compelled to remain perched there until some one passed by, as there was a steep embankment on the outside of the fence. He was rescued by a milkman with a ladder.

GIRLS HELD THE BLUECOAT

Then Cried, "Run, Dave!" to Their Brother, Who Was Fighting, in Elizabeth.

Application of the Principle of Devotion for Which the McCandless Family Is Noted.

SAID THEY DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM.

The Girls Were Arraigned in Court, but the Judge Was Lenient—Even the Policeman Whom They Assailed Admired Their Pluck.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 30.—Dave McCandless is a youth whose pugilistic tendencies have been a bane to him. He was having a lively set-to on the street near his home yesterday when Policeman Cavanaugh put in an appearance. Dave's two pretty sisters, Clara and Lulu, were watching the encounter, and when the policeman attempted to arrest him, they yelled "Run, Dave!" and both grabbed the policeman.

One girl hung on to his legs and the other tore off his hat and scolded his face. Before Cavanaugh could release himself Dave had disappeared.

This morning the girls, who are fifteen and eighteen years old, were arrested, charged with interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty. Judge Neill gave them a lecture and suspended sentence.

The devotion of the members of this family to each other is noted, and the two girls did not realize that they were doing other than their plain duty to help their brother get away.

"Why, Dave wasn't doing anything wrong, Judge," said Lulu, "and we just grabbed the policeman and held on to

him. He struggled pretty hard, but you see there were two of us, and then he wouldn't hit us with his club like he would, perhaps, if we had been boys. We didn't mean any harm. Dave likes to have a little fun, and he was punching the other fellow for fair. I think it was real mean of Mr. Cavanaugh to spoil the fun, and I told him so."

Both girls are large for their age, and quite good looking. The family lives in Elizabethport and is respectable, and its members are hard-working people. Policeman Cavanaugh bears the marks of anger, but expresses his admiration for the spirit exhibited by his fair assailants.

WOOLSEY DEAD AT LAST.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 30.—Success followed the efforts of Albert Woolsey, the young truck farmer of Fieldville, to end his life. He died late last night, after having inched his throat in a terrible manner, and then beseeching his father to put him out of his misery with an axe.

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He was unconscious when a passer-by arrived, and, securing assistance, removed the man to the nearest house. Later on he was moved to his home in South Amboy, and he died at midnight.

THE A. P. A. AGAINST RANKIN.

To Combine with Elizabeth Republicans to Oppose the Mayor.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 30.—The Elizabeth branch of the A. P. A. had a parade July 4, 1894, carrying a "little red school house" at the head of the procession. Mayor John C. Rankin, it is said, ordered it removed. Since that time the A. P. A. has bitterly opposed the Mayor and has now determined to put a ticket in the field at the April election.

The Republicans primaries are to be held to-morrow night, and in the Ninth Ward the following anti-Rankin delegates will be voted for: Charles A. Trimble, John W. Angus, Jacob Robinson, Henry Burnett, C. A. F. Edwards, John W. Noble and Henry Schneider. Those Republicans who dislike the Mayor will join the A. P. A. movement, and it is understood that their candidate for Mayor will be Philander B. Gray.

HORSE SHIED, DRIVER KILLED.

South Amboy Man's Fatal Road Trial of a Young Trotter.

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THE LEAP FOR LIFE FROM A BURNING BARGE.

It was moored at the Erie's covered wharf, 700 feet of which were destroyed by fire early yesterday morning.

Haganbrage, an old man, feared that he could not swim to safety in the icy water, and he stood in the doorway of the lighter until his body began to blister. He was screaming for help to a crowd of men on the other quay. He leaped overboard and held to a rope, but the heat was so great that it began to shrivel his scalp. A sailor put out in a boat, and at pain and risk to himself rescued the man.

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BOYS BLEW OPEN A SAFE?

Four Youngsters Arrested in Orange, N. J., and Charged with Burglary.

Orange, N. J., March 30.—Thomas Lawler, Joseph Deleo, Joseph Kelly and James Brady, four boys ranging in age from ten to fourteen years, were arrested to-day by Detective Conroy and Policemen Washer and Gannon. They were charged with entering the Brands' hat shop on Day street last week and blowing open a safe and destroying the pictures; also for entering the laundry of Poa Lee, on Main street.

Many such cases have been reported during the past three months and the police were impelled as to the identity of the culprits. The boys are all well dressed and sons of respectable parents. They will probably be sent to the Reform School.

For Raritan Bay Improvement.

South Amboy, N. J., March 30.—Ex-Mayor D. C. Chase, of this place, and president of the State Board of Pilot Commissioners, has applied to the River and Harbor Committee at Washington for an appropriation of \$150,000 for the improvement of the channel in Raritan Bay, between South Amboy and Great Bed's Lighthouse. The channel between these points is very shallow, the loading of vessels being restricted to a depth of not over seventeen feet.

Boy Gunner Maimed.

Long Branch, N. J., March 30.—Martin Woods, the youthful son of John Woods, of this place, while out gunning to-day, narrowly escaped losing his life. His gun exploded, injuring his left arm so badly that he will lose it.

BROWNE TRIES AGAIN.

Non Succeeding in Past Attempts at Suicide, the Staten Island Man Makes Another Essay.

New Brighton, S. I., March 30.—William N. Browne, who attempted suicide with laudanum at the Nantux Hotel, Tompkinsville, made a desperate attempt to open the arteries in his neck and wrists at the Smith Infirmary at 2:30 o'clock this morning.

It was after midnight last night before the physicians pronounced the man out of danger, and left him in charge of a nurse and Policeman Sullivan in the detention room at the infirmary. He talked to his guard for some time of the evils of drink, and then lay down with his face to the wall as if to sleep. He drew the covering over his head, and soon after the policeman noticed that his actions were peculiar and uncovered him.

Browne had taken a safety pin from the front of a bath robe in which he was dressed and had made deep scratches on his neck over the carotid artery and on his left wrist. Dr. Williams, the house physician, was quickly summoned. He dressed the wounds and secured the man's hands. The doctor said tonight that Browne would probably recover. None of the members of his family has called to see him. It was also learned that he attempted suicide by turning on the gas in a room at Smith & McNeil's hotel, Washington street, New York, early Saturday evening, but was discovered and sent away.

BOND COMPROMISE APPROVED.

The Senate Passes the Measure Relating to the Arkansas Claims.

Washington, March 30.—The bill to approve a compromise and settlement between the United States and the State of Arkansas, arising out of mutual claims for the principal and interest due on State bonds held by the United States, and for lands claimed by the State under the passage of some bills on the calendar, was passed by the Senate to-day. The bill provides for the payment of the bonds, and for the return of the lands to the State.

When the resolution providing for a select committee to investigate the facts and circumstances of recent bond issues was reached, objection to its immediate consideration was made by Senators Hill and Platt, but Mr. Peffer, the author, gave notice that he would ask for its consideration to-morrow.

The Senate at 5:15 o'clock adjourned until to-morrow.

MOODY IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Renowned Evangelist to Preach There To-morrow Afternoon and Evening.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 30.—The city pastors are looking forward to a season of great spiritual awakening on Wednesday, when Dwight L. Moody, the celebrated evangelist, will preach in the First Reformed Church afternoon and evening.

It is ten years since Mr. Moody was in New Brunswick, and then he crowded the Opera House at every meeting, and hundreds were turned away. The result of those meetings was that many were led to profess conversion, and somewhat similar results are expected from Wednesday's meetings.

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THE WOODEN WILL TO STAND.

Attorneys for the Contestants Formally Give Up the Fight.

Somerville, N. J., March 30.—The attorneys representing the contestants in the Peter Wooden will case announced in the Somerset County Court to-day that they could not overcome the evidence of the executors and wished to give up the case. The attorneys asked the court to see that they were compensated, as they had a good faith. The court agreed to this and ordered the executors to pay the bills.

The estate amounted to \$30,000. The Seventh Day Baptist churches in this city will each receive \$2,000 and the Seventh Day Baptist University, at Alfred, N. Y., will receive \$10,000. The rest of the estate will go to the heirs.

A New Trolley Company.

Hackensack, N. J., March 30.—Still another trolley company has been formed in this vicinity in order to give Hackensack the benefit of such a system. The articles were filed to-day with County Clerk Ramsay. The capital stock is \$100,000. It is proposed to build a trolley line from Rutherford to Park Ridge, via Hackensack.

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